IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

(MBHB 97-195-P)	
In re the Application of: Burg et al.)
S) Group Art Unit: 1637
Application No: 09/901,181) Examiner: Kim
Filed: July 9, 2001) Conf. No .: 6516
For: Improved Nucleic Acid Assays)

RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir

This paper is filed in response to the Final Office Action dated February 1, 2007, in the above-identified application. It is believed that no fee is due in connection with this filing; however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our deposit account 13-2490 is a fee is necessary.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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